## S. RES. 215

Designating December 2005 as "National Pear Month".

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 27, 2005

Mr. Smith (for himself, Mr. Wyden, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mrs. Boxer) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## RESOLUTION

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- Whereas pear trees imported to Oregon, Washington, and California by pioneers in the 1800s thrived in the unique agricultural conditions found in the Pacific States;
- Whereas the Pacific States are internationally renowned for producing varieties of delicious, sweet, and juicy pears;
- Whereas the Pacific States form the only geographic region in the United States with the ideal combination of climate and geography needed to produce high-quality, delicious summer and winter pear varieties;
- Whereas the rich pear-growing region stretches from the Central Valley of California, through the Rogue River Valley in southern Oregon, and to the banks of the Columbia River in Oregon and Washington;

- Whereas pears are a high-quality source of vitamin C, potassium, and dietary fiber, have no cholesterol, are low in calories, and complement an active lifestyle;
- Whereas Oregon, Washington, and California are world-renowned for providing beautiful and delicious pears;
- Whereas the United States does not have an official pear month; and
- Whereas designating December 2005 as "National Pear Month" would be a suitable recognition of the affection the people of the United States hold for pears and the healthful benefits of pears: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
  - 2 (1) designates December 2005 as "National
  - 3 Pear Month"; and
  - 4 (2) encourages the people of the United States
  - 5 to observe the month with appropriate ceremonies,
  - 6 activities, and consumption.

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